

**MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION**  
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**NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL - UTILITY**

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is a utility patent application:

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**Title:** OPERATION MONITORING AND ENHANCED HOST  
 COMMUNICATIONS IN SYSTEMS EMPLOYING ELECTRONIC  
 ARTICLE SURVEILLANCE AND RFID TAGS

**I. PAPERS ENCLOSED HEREWITH FOR FILING UNDER 37 CFR § 1.53(b):**

39 Pages of Written Description  
 13 Pages of Claims  
 1 Page of Abstract

**II. ADDITIONAL PAPERS ENCLOSED IN CONNECTION WITH THIS FILING:**

Unsigned Declaration  
 Application Data Sheet  
 Twelve sheets of drawings  
 Return receipt postcard

**III. PRIORITY**

This is a  continuation,  divisional,  continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No. 10/390,542 filed March 14, 2003, which claims priority from U.S. provisional application no. 60/365,432 filed March 18, 2002.

Prior application information: Group Art Unit 2635

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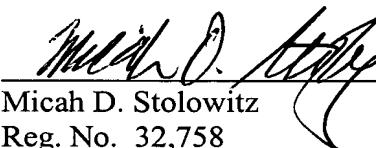
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